

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Helmut Thoma **GROUP:** 3682
SERIAL NO: 10/647,912 **EXAMINER:** Terence Boes
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FOR: GEAR ARRANGEMENT

Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

AMENDMENT

This amendment is in response to the Official Action dated December 11, 2006. Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 11, 14 and 18 as follows: